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- WHEREAS, Veterans' Day has its origins in the November 11, 1918, armistice which brought World War I to a conclusion; and
- WHEREAS, The Allied victory of World War I affirmed the strength of great nations acting together for high purposes; and
- WHEREAS, The people of the United States caused through their elected representatives the designating of November 11 as a federal legal holiday which in 1954 became officially known thereafter as Veterans' Day; and
- WHEREAS, Veteran's Day continues to be celebrated and commemorated with solemn observances in honor of all Americans who have served their country in times of war and conflict; and
- WHEREAS, Veterans' Day has become significant part of our American heritage as we recognize the millions of our citizens whose military service has had a profound effect on history; and
- WHEREAS, The courage, honor, sacrifice and dedication which veterans of the United States armed forces have displayed in the cause of justice, freedom and democracy are most worthy of recognition.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, W. Jeff Williams, Mayor of the City of Arlington, Texas, and on behalf of the Arlington City Council, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2015 as

## **VETERANS' DAY**

and ask that the day be observed with appropriate ceremonies in honor of those who have served to preserve our principles of Justice, Freedom and Democracy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 11th day of November in the year of Our Lord two thousand and fifteen.

MAYOR